1	2	3	4
September, 94	3	3	2
October, 94	3	3	..
November, 94	5	7	1
December, 94	4	4	1
January, 95	6	8	4
February, 95	2	2	1
March, 95	1	3	1
	43	51	20

Criteria for Freedom Fighters Pension

3680. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the criteria for accepting applications for Freedom Fighters pension after the prescribed date is over;

(b) whether it is mandatory to submit official documentary evidence in support of jail or underground sufferings in such cases;

(c) whether any relexaion in the above requirements has been made; and

(d) if so, in how many cases and on what grounds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED): (a) and (b) Applications received after the pescribed date are considered for grant of pension provided the same are accompanied by documentary evidence from official records which could prove suffering of atleast six months imprisonment|undeground suffering|internment|externment or loss of job etc.

(c) and (d) No separate record of such cases is kept.

Steps Taken by BSF to Check Antique Smuggling

3681. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Border Security Force (BSF) has taken any steps to check antique smuggling;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number and the value of seizure made in his regard during the last three years, till date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes; Sir.

(b) The measures taken include raising of additional battalions under expansion plan of Border Security Force to reduce the gaps between the Border Outposts, intensification of patrolling both on land and riverine borders, accelerated programme of construction of border roads and fencing, flood-lighting in the sensitive stretches of Indo-pak border, increase in the number of OP Towers, provision of surveillance equipments etc.